

TEMPLATE FOR SUBMISSION OF TEXTUAL PROPOSALS DURING THE 27TH SESSION:

COUNCIL - PART I

Informal Working Group - Environment

Please fill out one form for each textual proposal which your delegation(s) wish(es) to amend, add or delete.

1. Name(s) of Delegation(s) making the proposal: Republic of Costa Rica

2. Please indicate the relevant provision to which the textual proposal refers.

Regulation 50, Part IV - ISBA/27/C/IWG/ENV/CRP.1

3. Kindly provide the proposed amendments to the regulation or standard or guideline in the text box below, using the “track changes” function in Microsoft Word. Please only reproduce the parts of the text that are being amended or deleted.

Regulation 50 Restriction on Mining Discharges

1. A Contractor shall not dispose, dump or discharge into the Marine Environment any Mining Discharge, except where such disposal, dumping or discharge is permitted in accordance with:

(a) The assessment framework for Mining Discharges as set out in the Standards; and

(b) The Environmental Management and Monitoring Plan.

2. Paragraph 1 above shall not apply if such disposal, dumping or discharge into the Marine Environment is ~~carried out~~ necessary for the safety of the vessel or Installation or the safety of human life, provided that all reasonable measures are taken to minimize the likelihood of damage to human life and of Serious Harm to the Marine Environment and, if such harm has occurred, to monitor and mitigate its impacts, and such disposal, dumping or discharge shall be reported forthwith to the Authority.

3. The disposal, dumping or discharge into the Marine Environment of any Mining Discharge that is not in accordance with regulation 50(1) or 50(2) is considered an Unauthorized Mining Discharge and constitutes a Notifiable Event under regulation 34 and Appendix 1.

4. This Regulation shall be interpreted and applied in a manner that is consistent with the obligations of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping Wastes and Other Matters, 1972 and the 1996 Protocol thereto.

4. Please indicate the rationale for the proposal. [150 word limit]

1- the disposal must be done only under certain circumstances where is strictly necessary to ensure the safety of the vessel or installations or human life.

